

Ashland High School Dress Code

The effectiveness of the minimum standard of dress can only be achieved through joint cooperation from students, faculty, and parents. Dress and personal appearance shall be clean and appropriate for the school environment. Any clothing or accessories that are inappropriate, disruptive, or dangerous to the health and safety of students and other members of the school community are not permitted. An instructor or administrator has the discretion to reasonably alter the stated dress code standards to meet the needs of students participating in extracurricular activities, lab situations, or internship/career-related programs. This policy can be enforced for all students in attendance at any school-sponsored event. Building administrators will be the final arbiters of appropriate student dress and grooming and reserve the right to address anything that is dangerous or disruptive but not directly mentioned here.

The following dress code standards have been established with the input of certified staff, administration, parents, and students.

Students must wear

- Clothing that is opaque (not transparent) and covers the student's back, chest, torso, buttocks, and private areas.
- A top and bottom that meet when the student is standing.
- Shoes with treads.

Students may wear

- Hats or headgear that does not obscure their identity in person or on camera. (Teachers may set headwear expectations that are appropriate for their individual classrooms.)

Students may not wear

- Clothing and tattoos that promote or illustrate tobacco, alcohol, drugs, violence, or sex or depict immoral subjects, indecent connotations, or racist themes.
- Shoes with built-in wheels or that have no tread.
- Hoods that cover the head and ears.
- Clothing that is excessively tight or baggy.
- Clothing that exposes undergarments (excluding bra straps).
- Clothing that exposes the midriff, sides of the chest or torso under the armpit.
- Clothing or accessories that would cause a safety concern (such as chains, jewelry with spikes, or gloves with metal or hard surfaces).
- Flags that were not designed to be part of an article of clothing. (Flag emblems or pictures on clothing are permitted.)